Dear Ed, You annotate Esquire'S "Welcome to the Lee Harvey Oswald Memorial Center and Research Institute, Margaret C. Oswald, Director": "What Junk! Why publish it?" Only because it is junk and Marguerite is an easy target. Only junk can be printed. Marguerite is flakey now and has been for years, if she was not before the assassination. Arrogant, ego-centric, indelicate while obsessed with a sense of her own tactfulness, and persuaded that she is An Important Person, in a sense the real victim, and the only one in the world with the Intelligence to Understand. You have to talk to her to begin to understand how utterly unreal she is. And how sick in the head. When it was known that I would bebin Dall as a year ago, she said she'd like to see me. I had no interest in seeing her. Talking by phone was enough (she called, not I). However, to avpid unpleasantness for the Dallas group, I phoned her the Sunday I was there. She Granted Me and AUDIENCE and without asking me if I had an plans, set the time, for 2 p.m., at her place 30 miles away. I told her I might have an appointment sought previously, would know shortly, and would let her know. (It happened to have been true, with a former FBI agent.) "Marguerite Oswald plays second fidle to nobody", she announced, and hung up. If I was happy to be out of this unwanted nuisance, I was sickened a bit more by the whole thing and its tone. Thisis a real nonentity who in her own eyes was made something by these great tragedies. And there are the monsters at Esquire (worse, beginning with A.J.Liebeling's widow, of all people) who seek and point such obscenity ,yet consider themselves responsible and human. Remember, long ago I told you that most of these who seek press attention undermine what little credibility they and theirs have left. This is a other example. Thus, unless there is something worth saying and of possible importance, I avoid all the press except a few friends. If anything decent is ever written, and I cite a 25-page story about me for the Sunday magazine of the Washington Post that I did not solicit, it is killed....If there is one serious work in her collection, and I know she has some, it does not show in this picture. Quite the opposite of buying, she genuinely feels she is entitled to everything free and has never paid me for anything she got from me.

She makes credible the worst said of her son. Too bad. HW